

**STATE BOARD OF MIDWIFERY**  
**Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses**  
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**Conference Call Minutes of 5/7/2021**

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Valerie J Hall - Chair  
Elizabeth Hartman  
Carol J Johnson  
Dr. Megan Kasper, MD

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Amy B Redman

**DIVISION STAFF:** Russell Barron, Division Administrator  
Julie Eavenson, Licensing Group Manager  
Lori Peel, Investigative Unit Manager  
Nicholas Krema, General Counsel  
Greg Floyd, Financial Unit Manager  
Lizzie Kukla, Team Lead

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kris Ellis, Idaho Healthcare Association

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM MDT by Valerie J Hall.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Hartman made a motion to approve the minutes of January 15, 2021, and February 25, 2021. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**LAWS AND RULES**

Mr. Krema presented a legislative update. He reported that 3 bills related to the Division passed and were signed by the Governor. The bills further consolidate licensing agencies into one Division.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Floyd gave the financial report, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$23,457.29 as of March 31, 2021.

## **DIVISION BUSINESS**

The Board reviewed the To Do List and no action was taken.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

### **NALOXONE PRESENTATION**

The Board Reviewed a letter from the Medical Sections Chief, Nicki Chopski, regarding the legislative history that provided for any health professional licensed or registered under Title 54 to independently prescribe and dispense an opioid antagonist to certain persons as outlined in Idaho Code 54-1733b. Additionally, the letter adds that the current 2021 legislature passed, and the Governor signed, a bill to streamline language for a health professional to use their professional judgement to prescribe an opioid antagonist to “any person or entity”.

The Board inquired about the use of opioid antagonists for infants. Dr. Kasper offered to work with Medical Section Chief Nicki Chopski to compile information on the administration of Naloxone to infants and pregnant women, and present this information to the Board at the next Board meeting. The Board directed the Specialist to add this to the To Do List.

### **BIRTH STATISTICS AND DISCUSSION**

The Board Reviewed the 2019 Birth Statistics. The Board discussed collection of practice data pursuant to Idaho Code § 54-5511(4).

As part of this discussion, Dr. Kasper advised that birth certificate data is notoriously incorrect, and stated that it behooves the Board to continue to collect its own data.

Ms. Hall and Ms. Johnson volunteered to work with Division staff to review the practice data collection form, to ensure it aligns with requirements in law and rule. The Board directed the Specialist to add this item to the To Do List.

**NEXT MEETING** was scheduled for August 20, at 9:30 AM MDT.

### **COMPLAINT MEMORANDUM**

Ms. Peel gave the investigative report, which is linked above.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Hartman made a motion that the Board go into executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law, Idaho Code § 74-106(9). The purpose of the executive session was to discuss documents relating to the fitness of a licensee to retain a

license or registration. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. The vote was: Ms. Hall, aye; Ms. Hartman, aye; Ms. Johnson, aye; and Dr. Kasper, aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Kasper made a motion to come out of executive session. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **DISCIPLINE**

Mr. Nelson presented a Stipulation and Consent Order in case number I-MID-2021-1. Ms. Hartman made a motion to accept the Stipulation and Consent Order and allow the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 AM MDT. Ms. Hartman seconded the motion. Motion carried.